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Price 3d.] EDINBURGH, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11. 1786.

THEATRE ROYAL.

MRS CRAWFORD's SIXTH NIGHT.

On MONDAY, February 13. 1786. will be performed, The Tragedy of

JANE SHORE.

Lord Haſtings, Mr CLINCH;
Glo'ſter, Mr Wilmot-Wells;—Belmour, Mr Hallion;
And Dumont, Mr WOODS.
Jane Shore, Mrs KEMBLE;
And Alicia, Mrs CRAWFORD.

To which will be added, a Muſical Farce, called, The

WATERMAN;

OR, THE

FIRST OF AUGUST.

Tom Tug, Mr HALLION;
Robin, Mr KIPPLING;
And Wilhelmina, Mrs ILIFF.

A MILITARY HAT was taken by miſtake from DUNN's Ball Room. Whoever has it, is requeſted to ſend it to Mr Dunn, from whom he will receive his own.

THE Fife Hunt is to meet at Cupar, on Monday the 6th of March 1786

HADDINGTON ASSEMBLY

IS fixed for the 20th inſtant. To begin preciſely at ſix o'clock at night.

By Order of the Preſes.

STOCKING WAREHOUSE.

WILLIAM BEGBIE, HOSIER,
Second High Shop below the entry to the Exchange,
EDINBURGH,

HAS now on hand a complete and faſhionable Aſſortment of HOSIERY GOODS, conſiſting of a great variety of Black, White, and Coloured Silk Hoſe; Spun Silk, and Silk and Cotton Hoſe; Worſted, Thread, and Cotton Hoſe, of all kinds, which he propoſes ſelling on the moſt reaſonable terms.

In the above aſſortment, there are a good many dozens of China Silk Hoſe, which will be ſold at the maker's price, being 15 per cent. lower than the uſual prices.

☞ Commiſſions from the country carefully anſwered.

By order of the Right Hon. the Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council of the City of Edinburgh.

IN conſequence of the powers veſted in them by an act of Parliament, paſſed in the twenty-fifth year of his preſent Majeſty, for making an eaſy and commodious communication from the Lawn Market to the New-Extended Royalty on the north—Notice is hereby given to all and each of the tenants and occupiers of houſes, ſhops, and areas in the timber tenement fronting the High Street, immediately above the Middlemoſt Baxters Cloſe, belonging in property to Mr Alexander Brand, merchant, George Douglas, Eſq; and Miſs Jemima Douglas; and the tenants and occupiers of houſes and areas on the weſt ſide of the ſaid middlemoſt Baxters Cloſe, on the north of the ſaid timber tenement, and ſituated between it and the ſouth wall of the weſtmoſt oven belonging to the Bakers; and alſo, to the tenants and occupiers of houſes, ſhops, and areas weſtward from the north-eaſt corner of Paterſon's Court, to the weſt ſide of James's Court Garden, and from thence to the Back Lane leading from the North Bridge to Caſtlehill, not exceeding one hundred and twenty feet in breadth; but excepting therefrom, the tenants and occupiers of the tenement belonging to John Moir, writer to the ſignet, James Tait, writer in Edinburgh, and William Jamieſon, maſon there; and alſo the tenants and occupiers of the tenement on the weſt ſide of the uppermoſt Baxter's Cloſe, belonging to Mrs Smith, and Mr James Smith her ſon, to the ſouth of the houſes poſſeſſed by Mrs Farquharſon, and Malcolm M'Lean; that the ſaid Magiſtrates and Council, are to pull down, and take poſſeſſion of the foreſaid whole houſes, ſhops, and areas, excepting as aforeſaid, at the term of Whitſunday next, in this preſent year 1786, at which term the aforeſaid tenants and occupiers are to remove from their reſpective poſſeſſions.

SHERIFF CLERK's OFFICE,

Edinburgh, Feb. 7. 1786.

THE POLICE BOOKS for this County are now opened for the year 1786, and ſubſcriptions will be received as uſual at this Office, from ſuch as chuſe to call and ſubſcribe there. Beſide the books to be ſent to the different Incorporations in and about this city as formerly, the Sheriff, for the accommodation of the other inhabitants, has appointed James Murray, Sheriff Officer in Edinburgh, to go round and collect from ſuch as find it inconvenient to call at this Office; and whoever pays their ſubſcriptions to him, will ſee the ſame entered in a book entruſted with him for that purpoſe.

The books are to be ſhut on the 12th of March next, after which, no ſubſcriptions will be received, ſo that thoſe who fail to ſubſcribe before that time, will loſe any benefit from this ſcheme for the year 1786.

WM. SCOTT, P. F.

No. 7.

TO be SOLD, A HOUSE in Queen's Street, conſiſting of nine fire-rooms, kitchen, cloſets, cellars, and other ſuitable conveniencies; alſo a coach-houſe, hay-loft, and ſtabling for five horſes. The houſe commands a moſt extenſive and delightful view of the Frith of Forth, and country adjacent. It is elegantly painted, and quite free from ſmoke.—Enquire at Mr James Walker's writer to the ſignet, who will ſhow the title-deeds, and has power to conclude a bargain. Not to be repeated.

TO BE SOLD,

A HOUSE about a mile from the Croſs

of Edinburgh, conſiſting of ſix rooms, a kitchen, cellars, and other conveniencies, with a ſtable and outhouſes. Adjoining to the houſe is a garden, conſiſting of near an acre of ground, neatly laid out, and ſtocked with great variety of the beſt fruits. The ſituation is pleaſant and healthful, and its vicinity to Edinburgh gives it the advantage of being both a town and country reſidence.

Apply to Mr James Campbell, writer, Gavinloch's Land, Lawn Market.

Houſe of Drummore to Let Furniſhed.

To be LET for one or two years from Whitſunday next,

THE HOUSE of DRUMMORE, furniſhed with a complete ſet of Offices, Garden, and Pleaſure Ground, beautifully ſituated on the great road leading from Edinburgh to Haddington, and diſtant ſeven miles from Edinburgh. The tenant may be accommodated with what of the incloſures adjacent they ſhall chuſe, either for paſture or tillage, at a fair rent.

For particulars, apply to George Martin or Thomas Smith, writers, Argyle's Square, Edinburgh.

The Houſe to be ſeen on Monday, Wedneſday, and Saturday, from 12 to 2 o'clock.

BRITISH STATE LOTTERY, 1785,

Began Drawing on Monday the 6th of February 1786.

THE TICKETS are ſold, and divided into Halves, Quarters, Eighths, and Sixteenths, by

JAMES THOMSON AND SON,
INSURANCE BROKERS,

At their Licenſed State Lottery Office, oppoſite the Croſs, Edinburgh, and no where elſe in Scotland on their account. Correct numerical and regiſter books are kept, and tickets and ſhares are regiſtered at 6 d. each number.

Not Two Blanks to a Prize.

All ſhares ſold at this office are ſtamped, and the Original Tickets lodged in the Stamp Office, agreeable to act of Parliament.

Money for the Prizes will be paid at this office as ſoon as drawn.—Letters, poſt paid, duly anſwered. Schemes gratis.

The Liſt of the firſt day's drawing arrived here yeſterday morning. There will be a variety of Tickets and Shares kept up at this office, which will be warranted undrawn to the lateſt accounts.

WARRANTED UNDRAWN.

HORNSBY and COMPANY, at their old eſtabliſhed Office, No. 20. Cornhill, will continue ſelling, during the whole time of the Drawing of the preſent Engliſh State Lottery, which will be full ſix weeks from the date hereof, their moſt valuable and beneficial ſubſcriptions, at only One Guinea, Half-a-Guinea, and Six Shillings; and will be warranted undrawn at the time of purchaſing, which method renders the purchaſer perfectly ſecure.

The Whole of the Purchaſe Money returned
If drawn only a Prize of 20 l.

All the Prizes, namely, the firſt-drawn ticket on the 1ſt, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, and 16th days, and the laſt-drawn ticket on the laſt day, are entitled to 1000 l. each, according to the Scheme of the preſent ENGLISH STATE LOTTERY, which will begin drawing on the 6th of February 1786, are included in the following plan, whether a 20 l. or a 20,000 l. and continue for the whole time of the drawing, and will be paid on demand, without any diſcount or deduction.

For ONE GUINEA, only.		FOR HALF-A-GUINEA.	
If a L. 20,000 to	L. 16,00 0	If a L. 20,000 to	L. 800 0
10,000 to	800 0	10,000 to	400 0
5,000 to	400 0	5,000 to	200 0
2,000 to	160 0	2,000 to	80 0
1,000 to	80 0	1,000 to	40 0
500 to	40 0	500 to	20 0
100 to	10 0	100 to	5 0
50 to	5 0	50 to	2 10
20 to	One Guinea	20 to	1 Guinea,
Being the whole of the purchaſe-money.		Being the whole of the purchaſe-money.	

For SIX SHILLINGS (only) half the Benefits will be paid as ſoon as drawn, agreeable to the Half-Guinea plan, and if only a 20 l. prize, the Six Shillings returned.

Capital prizes ſold by HORNSBY and Co. viz. two of 20,000 l. four of 10,000 l. ſix of 5000 l. eight of 2000 l. fifteen of 1000 l. forty of 500 l. beſides the 10,000 l. in Cox's Muſeum Lottery, which prizes have been paid in full immediately.

N. B. Letters (poſt paid) duly anſwered.—Subſcribers to this Society may have the account of their numbers, ſent to any part of the town or country, free of expence.

HORNSBY and Co. requeſt their numerous Subſcribers to the laſt Iriſh State Lottery, to return their certificates, and that a new one for the enſuing Engliſh State Lottery will be given gratis, at any period during the drawing.

The ſuperior advantages of HORNSBY and CO's plan are manifeſted from the moſt ſuperficial view of it. For inſtance, ſuppoſe a ſixteenth is purchaſed, which coſts One Guinea; the higheſt profit to be obtained from it cannot exceed 1250 l. and from this, if the prize is immediately ſold, 5 or 6 per cent. muſt be deducted, for prompt payment: Whereas, by laying out the ſame ſum with HORNSBY and CO. the purchaſer will receive 1600 l. for the higheſt prize, paid down immediately, and without the ſmalleſt deduction whatever. It is this conſideration which has cauſed ſuch an extraordinary demand for them. Beſide which, there is another very material circumſtance to be attended to. HORNSBY and CO. engage not to advance any thing upon their terms, to thoſe Subſcribers who purchaſe on or before the 12th night of drawing, ſhould they wiſh to renew their chance; as, on every 20 l. prize the firſt coſt is returned, or a new adventure during the drawing, let the prices of tickets go as high as they will.

Monday Morning, February 6. 1786.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of WILLIAM RORISON of Ardoch, and ROBERT RORISON his Son.

IN the proceſs of Ranking and Sale, at the inſtance of James Fraſer writer to the ſignet, in right of Alexander Spalding Gordon, Eſq; againſt the ſaid Robert Roriſon, depending before the Court of Seſſion, Lord Alva, Ordinary to the ranking, by interlocuter of date the 4th February current, ordained the following creditors who have not yet deponed on the verity of their reſpective debts, viz. John Alexander of M'Kilſton; Samuel Herries in Glenſhinnoch; Ebenezer Shaw of Drumraſh; Eliſabeth Shaw; John Shaw; David Gibſon; Alexander Kennedy of Knockgray; Agnes M'Chiſney in Airy of Kells; Bazil, William, and Hugh, Roriſon, children of the deceaſed William Roriſon of Ardoch; William Roan, ſecond lawful ſon of Samuel Roan in Streempatrick; James Wilſon in Gleneroft of Parton; James Watſon writer to the ſignet; Peter Freeland merchant in Liverpool; John Syme writer to the ſignet; James M'Kie; Horatius Cannan of Barlay; Mrs Anne Alexander, *alias* Carmant; the Right Honourable the Earl of Galloway; the repreſentatives of John M'Courtie of Formiſton; Chriſtian Buchanan; Eliſabeth M'Kie; Robert Ramſay, writer in Dumfries; Robert Gibſon at Bridge of Ken; Jean Smith at Mains of Crawfordſton; Nathaniel Kirk; John Barber in Glenhoule; Samuel Carlan; John Crichton; the repreſentative of Margaret Tod, relict of John Sorbie, in Achie; Dougal Forbes and Co. in New-York, or Robert Syme writer to the ſignet, for their behoof; Doctor Chriſtopher Douglas, phyſician in Keliſo, for behoof of Captain James Douglas of the 15th regiment of foot; and Mrs Jean Blair, *alias* Roriſon, relict of the deceaſed William Roriſon of Ardoch, to depone thereupon, between and the 12th of June next; with certification, that ſuch of them as ſhould fail to depone, and report their depoſitions, between and ſaid day, that their debts would then be ſtruck out of the ranking, and that the Lord Ordinary would not repone them. And ordained the following creditors who have not made anſwers to the ſpecial objections ſtated to their reſpective intereſts, either in the ſtate of the ranking, or in the memorial and obſervations for Mr Syme, viz. Horatius Cannan of Barlay, writer to the ſignet; the repreſentatives of John M'Courtie of Formieſton; and Mrs Jean Blair, relict of the deceaſed William Roriſon of Ardoch, to give in anſwers to ſaid objections would then the 24th February current; with certification to ſuch of them as ſhould fail ſo to do, that the objections would then be ſuſtained, and their intereſt ſtruck out of the ranking. And appointed this intimation to be made to all concerned.

BRITISH STATE LOTTERY,

BEGAN Drawing Monday laſt, and not TWO BLANKS to a PRIZE.

TICKETS and SHARES, warranted Undrawn to the lateſt accounts, continue to be ſold and regiſtered by

WHITE AND MITCHELL,
Licenſed, oppoſite to the Tron Church,
EDINBURGH,

On account of Meſſ RICHARDSON and GOODLUCK, London, and *no where elſe in Scotland*, on their account.

The prices will be regulated by the prizes undrawn.

Correct Numerical and Regiſter Books kept.

At their Offices in laſt Lottery, both the *Twenty Thouſand Pound Prizes* were ſold, one in a whole Ticket, the other divided in *Shares*; alſo one of 5000 l. two of 2000 l. one of 1000 l. and five of 500 l.

Note, A Share of the *Five Thouſand Pound Prize* was ſold to a carter in Edinburgh, who, for two Lotteries paſt, has had capital prizes at this Office.

High-coloured Oranges for Marmalade.

JUST arrived, per the Kitty and Peggy, Captain George Skirven, after a very ſhort paſſage from St Lucar, a parcel of very fine high-coloured SEVILLE ORANGES, in excellent order for Marmalade: Alſo, LEMONS and CHINA ORANGES, to be ſold in cheſts and half cheſts.

Apply to John Walker and Company, Edinburgh, or to David Liddell, at their Warehouſe, Kirkgate, Leith.

Of whom may alſo be had,

Sun Raiſins
Lexia Raiſins } In caſks.
Malaga Figs
Bloom Raiſins in boxes.
Shell Almonds in baſkets.—And
A parcel of St Lucar Salt.

FLAX, HEMP, &c.

TO be SOLD by public auction, at the Warehouſes of ANDERSON, DOUGLAS, and CO. Leith, on Wedneſday the 22d and Thurſday the 23d inſtant, at 11 o'clock forenoon,

A conſiderable quantity of the following goods:

St Peterſburgh 12 head Flax.	Riga Lethuania Flax.
Ditto Clean Hemp.	Ditto Rhyne Hemp.
Ditto Codilla.	Ditto Codilla.

And 100 barrels beſt Riga Lintſeed, for ſowing.

The conditions may be ſeen by applying as above, any time eight days before the ſale.

N. B. They have at preſent on hand, Ruſſia and Gottenburg Iron, well aſſorted; Stockholm Tar; and Memel Logs, ſelling on the loweſt terms.

Bedford Coffeehouſe, Tavern, and Hotel,

Great Piazza, Covent Garden, London.

S. KINSEY, impreſſed with a grateful ſenſe of the favours he has received for theſe ſeven years paſt, from his Friends and the Public, returns them his ſincereſt thanks, and reſpectfully acquaints them, That he has conſiderably enlarged his premiſſes, by the addition of another houſe, and has fitted up the whole in a ſtile which, he flatters himſelf, will meet with approbation, having paid particular attention to elegance and convenience, in the ſeveral apartments of his Hotel. His Coffee-room, he preſumes, will be found commodious, ſpacious, and grand, where the News-papers of Europe [illegible] of thoſe who honour him with their company. And he means to conduct the whole upon the moſt liberal terms, which, he hopes, will not fail to inſure him their future ſupport.

Gentlemen arriving from the country may depend on finding rooms well-aired, and all things now ready for their immediate reception.

TO be SOLD for the benefit of creditors, at the Cuſtomhouſe, Leith, by public auction, on Saturday 18th February current, at half paſt 11 o'clock forenoon,

Four hogſheads Claret Wine and thirty boxes FRENCH PRUNES.

After this ſale, there will be ſold at the Warehouſe of Mr Gavin Kempt, merchant in Leith, by auction,

A parcel of WINE and ALE in bottles, a conſiderable quantity of Oats, Wheat, empty Caſks, Chalk, &c.

Inventaries of theſe will be ſeen by applying to Meſſrs Jameſon and Co. merchants in Leith, or Thomas Adair clerk to the ſignet.

The Claret may be taſted and Prunes ſeen the morning of the day of ſale, at the Cuſtomhouſe.

And on Saturday the 25th, there will be ſold at Baillie Robertſon's warehouſes in Leith, a conſiderable quantity of Lawns, Gauzes, Linen and Woolen Cloths, Salt Beef, bottled Beer, Iron Hoops, Adzes, Hammers, Nail, Drawing Knives, Hedge Bills, Smoothing Irons, and Shoes. The particulars whereof will be mentioned in an after advertiſement.

New Buſh of Fiſher-row.

THOSE having claims on the ESTATE of the late Mr ROBERT SPEID merchant at New Buſh, are deſired to lodge notes of their debts with John Smyth writer to the ſignet; and thoſe indebted to his eſtate will pleaſe to order payment.

Commiſſions at the Buſh will be now received by Mr Thomas Smith merchant in Leith, and anſwered moſt punctually, as he will reſide there for that purpoſe, and buſineſs will in future be carried on by him

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FOR SALE BY PRIVATE CONTRACT,
On the Stocks at Berwick-upon-Tweed,

The Hull of a New Smack

or Sloop, ſquare ſtern, built of well-ſeaſoned Engliſh timber and plank of a large ſcantling; will meaſure 85 tons or thereabouts, bounty meaſure, and will carry 100 tons dead weight, at 9 feet water, and is expected to ſail faſt. She is well calculated for dry harbours, being extraordinary bolted, and otherwiſe well fitted out with iron work. She is, in fact, as complete, a handſome, and ſtrong built veſſel as is to be met with any where of her ſize.

For particulars apply to Arthur Byram, ſhipbuilder at Berwick, aforeſaid.

N. B. A purchaſer may be accommodated with maſt, boom, boltſprit, cordage, &c. on reaſonable terms here.

BERWICK, Feb. 6. 1786.

FOR QUEBEC AND MONTREAL,

THE SHIP OCEAN,

WILLIAM KINNEAR Maſter,

Now ready to receive goods at Greenock, and will poſitively ſail firſt fair wind, after the 20th of March.

For freight or paſſage, apply to Hamilton, Garden, and Company, Greenock, or to James Buchanan, Glaſgow.

The Ocean is a large ſhip, and will be particularly fitted out for the accommodation of paſſengers.

FOUND,

A HAIR MOURNING RING, ſet with diamonds, with a name enamelled round the ſhank.

It will be returned to the perſon that loſt it, after paying the expence of advertiſing, &c. on applying to Patrick Robertſon jeweller.

ASHES.

To be SOLD by AUCTION,

WITHIN the Warehouſes of ALLAN, STEUART, and CO. Leith, upon Thurſday the 16th of February, at eleven o'clock forenoon, A conſiderable Quantity of PEARL, POT, and WEED ASHES.

LEITH, Jan. 24. 1786.

MAGOG

COVERS this ſeaſon at Haggerſton, near Berwick upon Tweed.—Bred mares three guineas, half-bred and common mares at one guinea and a half, and half-a-crown to the groom; the money to be paid before the mares are taken away.

Good graſs, and proper care taken of them,

WANTS A PLACE,

Againſt Whitſunday next,

A PERSON qualified by long practice and experience for Improving Lands, or Managing thoſe already improved; well ſkilled in buying, ſelling, or rearing cattle and ſheep; can keep regular farm or houſe accompts, and be well recommended.

For further particulars, apply to William Leſlie writer to the ſignet.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of Sir ROBERT MAXWEL of Orcharton, Bart.

THE eſtate of Orcharton being now ſold, the price is to be applied in payment of the debts due by Sir Robert Maxwel. The creditors are therefore deſired to lodge their grounds of debt, and oaths of verity thereon, with William Keith accomptant, their truſtee, or James Baillie writer Stamp-office, Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, in Dunbar, on Friday the 24th of February, at twelve o'clock,

The CARGO of the POLLY belonging to Hull, conſiſting of 88 casks candle tallow, from Peterſburgh—2½ hundred deals—200 bars of iron—together with the ſails, cables, anchors, cordage, blocks, and other articles belonging to the ſhip EMPRESS, burden from 300 to 400 tons, wrecked on the coaſt of Norway, and which were brought home in the Polly.

All the above articles are in good condition, and may be viewed any time before the day of ſale.

The inventaries will be ſeen in the hands of Meſſ. Charles and Robert Fall, at Dunbar, or at Mr John Beadie in Leith; alſo the conditions of ſale.

JUST arrived from Hull, to return directly,

THE ELISABETH,

A Stout Sloop,
(Properly adapted for the trade,)
COLIN HENDERSON Maſter,
Is preſently taking in goods at [illegible]

This veſſel has neat accommodation for paſſengers, and genteel uſage may be depended on. Merchants and others ordering their goods by this ſloop may depend on their being properly taken care of, and forwarded without loſs of time, as ſhe is conſtantly employed in the trade betwixt Leith and Hull.

For freight or paſſage, apply to Thomas Walker and Sons Leith, and George Holden, Hull, agents for the veſſel, or to the maſter on board.

For NEW-YORK,

THE SAMUEL,

WILLIAM JAMIESON Maſter,

Now lying at Greenock, ready to receive goods on board, and will be clear to ſail about the 1ſt March.

The Samuel is a very fine veſſel, and well calculated for paſſengers, has a Britiſh regiſter, and a Mediterranean paſs.

For freight or paſſage, apply to John Burnſide and Company, Glaſgow, John or Holmes and Company, Greenock.

TO be SOLD at Kincardine on Tuesday the 14th February 1786,

The Sloop Good Intent,

Of 90 to 100 tons burden, about ſeven months old, Kincardine built, and of the beſt materials; the ſails ſail and ſhifts light, and underſtood to be well calculated for the herring fiſhing; ſhe is alſo well fitted in ſails, rigging, anchors, cables, &c.

Any perſon wanting to make a private or public bargain, may enquire at James Millar, Poſtmaſter in Kincardine, who will inſtruct the particulars.

N. B. Letters of enquiry, poſt paid, duly anſwered.

FOR PHILADELPHIA,

THE SHIP

ALEXANDER,

ALEXANDER RITCHIE Maſter.

She is a good veſſel, ſails faſt, has a new Mediterranean paſs, and excellent accommodations for paſſengers; is expected to be ready to take in goods at Greenock, by the 20th of March, and will be clear to ſail by the 10th of April.

For freight or paſſage apply to Meſſ. Allan and Steuart, Edinburgh, Mr William Donald merchant, Glaſgow, or John Stuart, Greenock.

FOR SALE by public roup, within the houſe of James Tod, vintner in Kincardine, upon Wedneſday the 1ſt day of March next,

THE SLOOP

Elizabeth of Kincardine,

80 tons burden, with her float boat, &c. as ſhe preſently lies at that place.

The Elizabeth ſails remarkably faſt, is only four years old, was built at Kincardine, and is properly conſtructed either for foreign or coaſting trade. She draws but a ſmall charge of water, is excellently found in ſails and materials, and would anſwer very well for a herring buſs.

The veſſel may be ſeen by applying to Thomas Jameſon at Kincardine the owner, at any time betwixt and the day of ſale.

The veſſel lies ready for ſea, and perſons inclining a private bargain, may apply to the ſaid Thomas Jameſon.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE, FEB. 7.

Stockholm, Jan. 6.

M. de Corral, the new Spanish Minister at this Court, was conducted to Court last Monday, with the usual ceremonies, in the King's equipages, when he had his first audiences of the King, the Queen, and the rest of the Royal family.

LLOYD's LIST, *Feb.* 7.

THE Pelican, Grant, from Ancona to Genoa, put into Leghorn, having shifted her corn in bad weather.

The St Miguel, Llanas, from London to Bilboa, put into Aviles the 1st ult. with damage in her masts and rigging, which is repairing to proceed to Bilboa.

A French ship from Bourdeaux to Martinico, is lost on the coast of Barbary between Sallee and Saffee; and, of thirty-seven people, only one man survived.

The Fanny, Bean, from London to Jamaica, that was on shore near Lyme, has been repaired, and sailed from Pool the 3d instant.

The Pitt, Cooper, from London to the East-Indies, that was on shore on Barking Shelf, is got off without any damage.

By authentic advice from Mogadore, it appears, that the Emperor of Morocco has sent out several large cruizers to the westward, with positive orders to touch at Madeira, and bring from thence certificates from the Governor of that place of their having been at least so far to the westward.

N. B. Five more are going out immediately.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

MONDAY, *Feb* 6.

RECEIVED and read a first time, the Newfoundland trade bill.

The Commissioners of Public Accounts presented their fourteenth account. Ordered to be printed.

The Commissioners of the Customs presented their annual accounts. Ordered to lie on the table.

Adjourned.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MONDAY, *Feb.* 6.

IN a Committee of Supply came to the following resolutions:

That 150,000 l. be granted for paying off and discharging loans and Exchequer bills, made out in pursuance of an act of last sessions, for the service of 1785.

Also 1,000,000l. and the like sum for the defraying of Exchequer bills, to be severally reported to-morrow.

Ordered out a new writ for Fowey, in the room of Mr Grant, who has accepted the Chiltern Hundreds.

Mr Alcock, from the Customs, presented two accounts of the quantity of rum imported into America from the British West India islands; also into Newfoundland and into New England. Ordered severally to lie on the table.

Ordered, that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the expiring laws, and report their opinion.

Mr Steele, from the Paymaster's Office, presented two lists of widows pensions, which were ordered to lie on the table

Mr Martin, from the East India Company, presented a list of offices.

SHOP-TAX.

WESTMINSTER PETITION.

Lord *Hood* presented a petition from the Shopkeepers of Westminster, praying a repeal of the tax

Mr *Fox* begged leave to take that opportunity of declaring his hearty assent and concurrence to the petition, which, he said, was subscribed by upwards of four thousand of his constituents; and though many of them, no doubt, differed in their opinions on other political topics, yet he believed every man whom he and his noble colleague represented, concurred in thinking the tax in question a most oppressive and partial measure of Government, and he trusted the ground of their complaint would be removed.

The petition upon motion was ordered to lie on the table.

SOUTHWARK PETITION.

Mr *Thornton* presented a petition from the shopkeepers of the Borough of Southwark to the same purpose with the preceeding. The majority of his constituents, he said, were retail shop keepers, and they were all unanimous in their opinion, that the tax ought to be repealed. At present he would content himself with moving, that the petition do lie on the table, which was ordered.

CITY OF LONDON PETITION.

Mr Alderman *Sawbridge* presented a petition against the shop-tax from the shop-keepers of the city of London, which he moved should lie on the table. On that part of the prayer of it which respected their being heard by themselves or counsel, he would postpone making any comment till an Hon. Gentleman (Sir W. Lewes) should bring forward his promised motion.

Lord *Surrey* said, that though he did not see the Minister then in the House, yet as some of his confidential friends were there, they might perhaps be able to inform the House, whether it was the intention of Government to persist in the levying of the shop-tax or not; he thought it high time that something effectual should be done in that business, as well as in other matters of public concern—though hitherto the Minister had come down to the House at twenty minutes before four o'clock only for the purpose of adjourning it.

Mr *Rose* said, he believed public business was then in as forward a state as it generally was in the beginning of any session. With regard to the shop-tax he could say nothing; the proper time for putting that question would be, when his Hon. Friend could have an opportunity of answering it, and he could assure the Noble Lord that he would be in the House in a few minutes.

MILITIA.

Mr *Marsham*, on seeing the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his place, begged to know if the Rt. Hon. Gentleman had yet made up his mind on the subject of the business of the militia, which he had the honour to propose to the House a few days ago. He hoped Gentlemen would consider that there then existed an act of Parliament, which expressly enjoined that the militia should be annually called forth and exercised, whereas two years had then elapsed and they had not even been mustered. He trusted, therefore, that so important a consideration as the natural and constitutional defence of the country would no longer be postponed, and on that account he wished to know, before he brought in his bill, whether the Right Hon. Gentleman had come to any determination, whether the militia were to be called our this year or not?

The *Chancellor of the Exchequer* expressed his surprise that the Hon. Gentleman, whom he always considered as a friend to his country, should defer the bringing in his bill because an individual of that House had not made up his mind on the subject of it. The Hon. Gentleman's speech could be intended only to impress the House with an idea, that he was an enemy to the militia: on the contrary, it was his wish to put them on as respectable a footing as possible, but he wished to do this at the smallest expence to the nation. It was true there was an act of Parliament respecting the annual embodying of the militia, but that act had not provided for the expence attending it. He would however assure the Hon. Gentleman, that he would give the business that attentive consideration which its importance demanded; it was not his intention to pass it over in silence; but if he could make the militia equally useful at a less expence then the calling them out annually, he certainly thought the least expensive plan ought to be adopted.

Mr *Marsham* begged to say a few words in explanation. As there was a positive act of Parliament then existing for the annual embodying of the militia, it was of no consequence that it had not provided for the expence. The House of Commons, as the keepers of the purse of the nation, ought, and they no doubt would, chearfully grant the necessary supplies for so salutary a measure. In carrying this into execution, it was, he believed, of some consequence to have the support of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, though he was only an individual of the House.

Lord *Surrey* wished to be indulged with a few words before the House adjourned, only to remark the indolence of the Minister in so long deferring to bring forward public business. The present circumstances of the nation, in his opinion, might have justified a deviation from the usual practice at the beginning of a session. There were other public considerations besides the voting the supplies for the army and navy. He understood the subject of the revenue was to be gone into by the Minister at great length; he would ask, therefore, why the necessary documents had not yet been laid on the table for that purpose? They surely might have been prepared, even previous to the meeting of Parliament. Another great object of public concern was the regulation of the police, which at present was a disgrace to the nation. A late remarkable robbery, he said, was a striking proof of this, where a peaceable citizen had been robbed in broad day [*alluding to the robbery of Mr Mackay by le Chameron*] and the perpetrators of it suffered to escape. He hoped, therefore, that a matter of such importance would no longer be suffered to lie over. On this account, and on many others, he thought that the ostensible Minister of the Crown, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer ought either to have an assistant, or that they should be two distinct persons; or, at least, that one the Secretaries of State should always be a member of that House, to act in the absence of the Minister.

Mr *Pitt* made no reply. Adjourned.

LONDON, *Feb.* 7.

Yesterday some dispatches were received from the Leeward islands, which were brought over in the Nancy, Capt. Hayley, arrived at Cork. They contain an account of the safe arrival of upwards of sixty sail of ships from London, Bristol, Liverpool, &c. which sailed in September last.

On Sunday, about ten o'clock, an American courrier arrived at Mr Adams's house in Grosvenor-square from New-York. He came over to Nantz in one of the French packets (the English having sailed the day before) and from thence by way of Calais to Dover. It is expected that the American Minister has received from Congress their ultimatum in respect of the treaty with Great-Britain, which must soon be brought on the tapis.

The Spanish Grandee who is coming from Madrid to reside here in quality of Ambassador Plenipotentiary from his Catholic Majesty, is the brother-in-law of the Duc de Crillon, who commanded the Spanish forces before Gibraltar during the last siege.

There is not that cordial union between the members of the cabinet which the freinds of Ministry are anxious to make the world believe. Mr. Pitt and the Chancellor are known to be at variance. The sale of the waste lands is one of the measures on which the difference of sentiment has risen to a considerable heat. Mr. Pitt is the strenuous advocate for that scheme, as being highly essential to the revenue—but he is opposed in it by the Lord Chancellor, Mr. Jenkinson, and all that description of men known by the title of the King's friends.

The Lord Chancellor complains that the whole drudgery of the House of Lords rests with him, and that he is obliged (to use his Lordship's own phrase) to launch a speech on every petty occasion. We think his Lordship in the right to maintain the rank of his station and talents—The Lord Chancellor of England, and the Keeper of the King's Conscience, ought not to be held so cheap!

A new office is to be erected on the ashes of the Board of Trade for Mr Jenkinson, and he is to be introduced into the House of Lords and Cabinet as *Secretary of State* for *Trade*.

It is a fact, that Mr. Secretary Orde has ordered his workmen to have his villa near Harrow to be ready for the reception of himself and family in April next. This looks as if some short work will finish the session in Ireland.

A letter was received at the General Post Office on Thursday morning, with the following directions: "For his honour Miaster Pit Shanzelur of the Shecker on off his Majeezdys Preevy Cuzins—Prime Lard of all the Treezure Doneia street London Toun."

In the course of the present week, the Hymeneal ceremony will be performed between Mr. Henry Drummond, jun. and Miss Dundas, daughter of Mr. Dundas, late Lord Advocate of Scotland

Friday the Court of Directors of the East India Company took up the following ships, in addition to those already entered for the present season, viz.

True Briton,
Chapman,
Ravensworth,
Ranger,
} never before in the service.

Private letters from Paris mention the death of the Cardinal Rohan, a prisoner in the Bastile. His death, it is said, was owing to a violent defluxion which had spread over all his body. The examination of the witnesses, for and against the Cardinal, were finished a few days previous to his decease; and the letters add also, that the whole of them will be published by royal authority.

On Wednesday last, died at Brussels, George Beauclerk, Duke of St Albans, Earl of Burford, Hereditary Register of the Court of Chancery, Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the county of Berks, and High Steward of the Corporation of Windsor. His Grace having died without issue, is succeeded in his title and estates by his second cousin George Beauclerk, Lieutenant in the third regiment of guards.

This morning, between three and four, a fire broke out in a new room which was building close to the Chamberlain's Office, Guildhall, and, notwithstanding speedy assistance, burnt so furiously for some time, that the whole of the Chamberlain's Office was destroyed, together with the house belonging to the same officer, and all the books of accounts, several bonds, Bank notes, and a quantity of cash, which had been paid in since Thursday last. It damaged also a part of the Court of King's Bench, but at last was got under without doing any further damage.

Yesterday, the Lottery began drawing at Guildhall, when No. 555 (a blank) was the first-drawn ticket, and as such entitled to 1000 l.

No. 36,670 was drawn a prize of 1000 l.
No. 34,058, a prize of 500 l.
No. 40,956, 2842, 37,461, 40,353, 10,222, 4921, prizes of 100 l. each.
And the following prizes of 50 l. each:
No. 44,666, 8688, 25,327, 37,649, 21,280, 27,082, 19,578, 43,622.

PRICE OF STOCKS, FEB. 7.

Bank Stock, 140½.
5 per cent. Ann. 104¼ a ⅜.
4 per cent Ann. 1777, 89½.
3 per cent. con. 70¼.
3 per cent. red. 70¼ a ¼.
3 per cent. 1726, shut.
Long Ann. 20⅞.
Ditto 1778, 13⅛ a 3-16ths.
South Sea Stock, —
3 per cent. Old. Ann. —
Ditto New Ann. —
Ditto 17 1. —
India Stock, —
3 per cent. Ann. —
India Bonds paid, —
Ditto unpaid, 48 a 50 prem.
Navy Bills, 2 dis.
Exch. Bills, —
Lottery Tickets, —

WIND AT DEAL, Feb. 6. W.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, Feb. 7.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

"A number of petitions, complaining of the shop-tax, and praying to be relieved therefrom, were severally read, and ordered to lie on the table; after which

"Mr *Francis* rose on the subject of India affairs, several motions respecting which he meant, he said, shortly to bring before the House. But, previous to his entering particularly into the wide field that lay open to him, it was necessary to move for a variety of papers, which it would be expedient to have laid on the table. Mr *Francis* then moved for several papers, the principal one of which was, for an account of the resources and disbursements of the last year for Bengal.

"Mr *Bastard* wished any gentleman, in the confidence of the Administration, would be kind enough to inform the House, if it was meant that any thing decisive should be done this year respecting the fate of criminals sentenced to be transported; or whether it was intended, that they should be employed at home for the term for which they might be sentenced to be transported?

"Mr *Pitt* said, the matter had, for a long time, been under the serious consideration of his Majesty's servants, and a variety of plans had been laid before them, for the future disposal of persons who might be sentenced for transportation. At present, however, nothing had been finally determined upon. It was, he allowed, a subject well worth attending to; and every thing that could be done had been done. But he wished gentlemen would consider the difficulties that attended it. They could only transport the criminals to some distant parts, or employ them in some way or other at home; and the latter use was at present made of them; and until some place could be found to receive them abroad, he did not know how they could be better made use of than in being sent to work on the fortifications at Portsmouth and Plymouth.

"Mr *Manwairing* (member for the county of Middlesex) wished to know of the Minister, whether the time the transports were employed at home, was meant to be part of the time for which they were sentenced to be transported, and observed, that if the employing them at home was meant to be as a virtual revocation of the statute sentencing them to be transported, it would, he was afraid, answer no good purpose. In his opinion, the check that had been lately given to the practice of transporting, was to be considered as the chief cause of the metropolis, and parts around it, having been so crowded with rogues and thieves of all denominations. He, therefore, hoped, that the employing those criminals at home was only used as a temporary expedient, and that the old mode of sending them abroad would be recurred to as soon as possible.

"Mr *Pitt* said, that what he had mentioned he had mentioned as only applying to what fell from the Hon. Gentleman who spoke first on the subject. He allowed, that there were great grievances resulting from the necessity there was in employing these criminals at home; but he again wished Gentlemen would consider the difficulty there was in finding out a proper place to transport them to. He again assured the House, that no time should be lost in doing something that might be decisive in the matter.

"After several private bills had been brought up,

"Mr *Pitt* rose again, and observed, that it might be expected that he should say something in excuse for being obliged to defer bringing forward the motion he intended to make on the subject of finance. He said, this was a matter of the highest importance and about which no time should be lost. But, before it could be entered upon, it would be necessary to ascertain the real and efficient amount of the sinking fund, and what there really would be to appropriate towards the reduction or redemption of the national debt. With a view to this, it would be necessary for him to have a variety of papers laid before the House, and which he would take an early opportunity of moving for. No one was more sensible, he said, than he was, of the manner in which so interesting an object pressed itself upon the House; but, before it came under serious discussion, he wished that every Gentleman in that House, and every man throughout the kingdom, might clearly understand what the amount of the sinking fund really was, and what produce there would be to apply towards the discharge of the national debt. He wished every one to know the annual revenue, with the yearly expenditure of the public money; and, by comparing the one with the other, actually see what our situation was. When these papers should be before the House, and those facts he had mentioned clearly made known, he should lose no time in bringing forward some specific motion on the subject, and such as would, in his opinion, meet the approbation of the House, as the most likely to reduce the national debt, and place the public credit on as firm a basis as it could possibly have to stand upon, and of which he would give the House due notice.

"The House then rose, and adjourned till to-morrow.

Died, on Monday the 30th ult. at Barras, the Lady of Sir William Ogilvy of Barras, Bart.

Wednesday the 1st instant, died at Lauriestoun, in the county of Kincardine, Mrs Elizabeth Scott, relict of James Milne of Old Montrose, Esq;

Died at Edinburgh, upon the 7th instant, Mr Joseph Thomson, of Norton-hall of Eildon.

The Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council, have unanimously voted the freedom of this city to Col. William Hunter, brother to the Lord Provost.

On Saturday last, the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of Glasgow, conferred the freedom of that city on his Grace the Duke of Hamilton. They had a most elegant entertainment at the Saracen's Head Inn.

Thursday last, being the day appointed for the celebration of her Majesty's birth-day, the same was observed here with the usual demonstrations of joy; nor was any business transacted at the Banks or other public offices. In the evening, Dunn's Assembly Rooms were attended by a more numerous appearance of the first people of fashion, than has been known for several years upon a similar occasion, whose dresses displayed great brilliancy and taste.

This day, in consequence of a complaint from the masters of the High School, there was a visitation of that seminary by the Lord Provost and Magistrates, when two boys were expelled the school; the one, for stabbing one of his school-fellows with a knife in a dangerous manner; the other, for attempting to shoot his master with a pistol. The whole classes being convened together, under their respective masters, the Lord Provost made a suitable speech to the young gentlemen on the occasion, which, it is to be hoped, will have a proper effect on their future behaviour.

This day, the Endeavour, Robertson, arrived safe in Leith harbour from London.

Among the number of amusements with which this city has been entertained, none deserves higher applause than *Les Variétés Amusantes*, which is conducted under the immediate management of Monsieur Dubois. The taste, and particular elegance he has displayed in fitting up the house, shows him to possess a great deal of genius and merit. The boxes and pite are extremely commodious for select parties, and particular care is taken to keep them warm by fires, and are lighted with wax.

We hear from Greenock and Port-Glasgow, that on Monday evening, about seven o'clock, they had a great deal of lightening, accompanied with loud peals of thunder: a phaenomenon very uncommon at this season of the year.

On Monday and Tuesday many flashes of lightening were seen, and claps of distant thunder heard, in Glasgow.

A correspondent wishes, in the present general scarcity of hay, to furnish the public, but particularly farmers, graziers, and cow-keepers, with a good and cheap method of feeding horned cattle:—Take eight quarts of water (cold or warm) to which add a quart of linseed (and so in proportion); let this stand soaking 12 hours, then mix the liquid with a sufficient quantity of chaff cut from good wheat straw, so as to make the whole moist. Give this in troughs to the cattle, and it will answer every good purpose that can be produced from hay.—By this mode of keeping, the charge of each beast weekly would not exceed 1 s. 3 d. whereas the article would (where persons are obliged to purchase it) amount to five times that sum; and the cows thus fed would produce an equal quantity, if not more milk.—To make cattle fat for slaughter, use hay cut into chaff instead of straw. The above method is now made use of, with great success, by a number of farmers and graziers in the counties of Gloucester and Worcester.

GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND MANUFACTURES.

There is to be a Meeting of the SUBSCRIBERS, in the New Church Ayle, on Wednesday the 15th current, at two o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of chusing a Secretary, and other business.

Extract of a letter from Saltcoats, Feb. 4.

"The following melancholy accident happened on Friday night last—The sloop Alexander, John M'Donald, master bound for Greenock to the Rosses in Ireland, was forced on shore between the North Salt-Pans and Ardrossan Castle. The master

and crew (six in number) took to the boat, about eleven o'clock at night, which struck on a rock and filled with water: one of the men jumped overboard, and getting hold of an oar, struggled to shore. The rest were drowned. The inhabitants of this place, having got the alarm from the workmen at the saltpans, immediately launched a boat, and went to succour the distressed people of the Alexander, but were too late. The bodies were all found, next morning, near the place where the shipwreck happened. A fine boy, the master's only son, is among the persons lost. The sloop is gone to pieces."

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

I AM not a little surprised to observe in your paper of 6th current, that NERVA, in his letter to you of 25th ult. should, in a manner, brand with the harsh epithet of *Incendiary*, the Landed Interest and Farmers in Scotland, who are endeavouring to obtain relief from the oppression of the Distillery Laws. He informs you, that the Farmers in Scotland will not thresh out their barley, and offer it for sale at a moderate price; which obliges the Scotch Brewers and Maltsters to send to England for that article. I do assure you, Sir, that these Gentlemen's being so well supplied from England, is the very reason that the Scotch Farmers find it unnecessary to offer them barley, they are now grown so nice.—NERVA says, that he knows a Brewer that will give 15 s. per boll for *good* Scotch barley; but how are his ideas of *good* to be defined? By comparing it, no doubt, with English barley in his lofts; and, upon finding it inferior, he tells the Farmer, that he cannot afford to take his barley at the price, and pay the high Malt-duty. Does NERVA know the Brewer, that, after the additional malt-duty took effect, in autumn 1781, refused to pay a Farmer for a parcel of as fine barley as Scotland ever produced? Does he recollect, that when the Farmer insisted upon his implementing the bargain, arbiters were mutually chosen; and that this was no sooner done, than he immediately declared, upon looking again at the barley, that if the arbiters were brought to examine it, they would certainly decide against him? and paid down the money agreeably to bargain.

Does he recollect, that the Brewer pretended to lament the bad effects that the additional Malt-tax would have upon the agriculture of this country, and declared, that the Farmers in Scotland must, for the future, only sow barley on their richest and best-prepared lands, otherwise the Brewers would be obliged to supply themselves with English barley, in order to enable them to pay the high Malt-duties? If NERVA does not know the Brewer that was concerned in the above transaction, my answer to him is, *Nosce teipsum.* CATO.

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

IN a late spirited publication, respecting the Distillery, it is justly remarked, That, to create a division or opposition of interests betwixt the Small and Great Distillers, as has been attempted by certain persons, can mean no good to either, and only tends to mislead the Public.

It is indeed true, that, by encouraging Distillers of small capitals, both the spirit and the means of improvement are more widely diffused. There is not only a competition raised in the market for grain, but the market itself is extended over the whole country, and brought home to every Farmer's door. But, does it necessarily follow, that the operations of the great or more extensive Distiller, who works chiefly for the English market, conduce nothing to the wealth or improvement of the country, and are not entitled to its protection? The very reverse of this has already been shown; and, to any person who inclines to consider the subject with attention and candour, it may be still further illustrated by a great excess of evidence.

It has been asserted, by a certain set of gentlemen, who, without much regard to propriety, or even to decency, have chosen to take a side in the question, That the Great Distillers depend chiefly, or for the greatest part of the grain consumed by them, upon the English market; thereby contributing very little to the encouragement of the Scotch Farmer, or to the benefit of the Landed Interest in Scotland. This assertion has already been contradicted in the most express terms; and, from the consciousness of its falsehood, it is presumed, will never again be repeated. It has been averred on the contrary, and can be easily ascertained, that two thirds or more of the grain consumed by the Great Distillers in Scotland, is actually of the growth of this country,—nay, it must necessarily continue to be so; for, so long as the Scotch barley can be purchased at nearly the same price with that of the English, it is impossible that any Distiller, either Small or Great, who consults his own interest, will ever think of sending to England for it.

It is a well-known fact to all dealers in corn, that the expence of bringing grain from England, either from London, Lynn, or any of the great corn-markets, amounts at an average to from 2 s. to 2 s. 6 d. per boll. Till once, therefore, the Scotch barley rises to that proportion of price above the English, the preference to this country's produce must still be secured. But, supposing no such manufacture were carried on here, with a view to the English market, and the whole business limited to the operations of the Distillers for home-consumption, in that case, must not the surplus corn, which remained after serving ourselves, either lie a dead and perishing stock upon the hands of the Farmer, or be exported, as was formerly the case, at the same expence which is incurred in the importation?

Thus, by the particular branch carried on by the Great Distillers, if its success can be insured, there is obviously held forth a double premium to the Scotch Farmer; first, by securing him in a price for his barley, in proportion to its value, of from 2 s. to 2 s. 6 d. per boll, above what can be afforded for the English, and then by taking his surplus produce off his hand, instead of obliging him to export it at an equal expence. Let us add to this, what has of late been frequently taken notice of, that it is to the trader who distills from raw and unmalted grain, and whose superior stock, as well as skill in the manufacture, enables him to find a market for it in England, that the Farmer must look up for the disposal of his inferior and sprung corn, of which there has this last season been a great proportion. But, even in ordinary seasons, from the nature of our soil and climate, there must still be a considerable quantity.

Accordingly, if we trace the prices of barley from those periods when ten and twelve shillings were reckoned a medium, and thirteen shillings a good price, to the present time, when the decline of markets from eighteen, nineteen, and twenty shillings, to fifteen shillings per boll, becomes an alarming circumstance to the country, we shall find this change of markets to coincide pretty nearly with the times when the Distiller, instead of working for the limited market of Scotland began to look abroad for a more extensive one in the south.

But in case of a succession of bad crops, as has often happened, and may again in all probability occur, should there remain but little or no grain in the country for distillation, after maintaining the inhabitants—in such circumstances, the operations of the Small Distillers must be at a stand, having neither stock, nor a competent knowledge of trade to enable them to import grain upon equal terms from abroad. Here, however, the more extensive trader steps in for the relief of the country, especially of the labouring poor—imports from foreign ports what grain he has occasion for, and thereby gives employment and bread to a greater number of people than usual, from the very circumstance of a larger importation, and that at a time when they would otherwise be subjected to a double hardship; first, by want of work, and then by the advanced price of provisions; and this too—besides affording a great additional supply of food from the cattle, which are fattened by means of the imported corn.

Supposing, therefore, that not a grain of Scotch barley was consumed by the Great Distillers, yet will it be affirmed, that the importation of two or 300,000 bolls of corn annually, converting it into spirits, and exporting it again, is of no advantage to the public? That the setting in motion so great a number of hands as must be employed, not only in the immediate manufacture, but in loading, victualling, navigating, and building the ships necessary to it, with all the mechanics and tradesmen depending upon them, conduces nothing to the wealth, strength, and general prosperity of the country, as well as to the support of individuals? Is there a gentleman so blind to his own interest, as would not wish to have such a manufacture carried on in his neighbourhood? Is there a poor man wanting bread, but instantly repairs to it? Is there one in this enlightened age so grossly ignorant of the principles, so insensible to the salutary effects of commerce, as not to perceive its utility and importance to the community at large?

What then must we think of those, or to what motives shall we ascribe their conduct, who, not satisfied with stretching to its utmost length the heavy hand of power, against so useful a class of men, could yet farther descend to the debasing arts of false and malicious insinuation, not only to the ruin of their fortunes as individuals, but to cut up their trade by the roots? Was it, that in the favouring of our wealthier neighbours, to the depression of our poorer country, they meant to make a proper application of the Scripture maxim, "To him that hath shall be given," &c.

"Quid non mortalia pectora cogis,
"Auri sacra fames."——

To sum up the argument, then, does it not plainly follow from the premisses, that every wellwisher to his country—every one whose mind is not blinded by some narrow prejudice, or perverted by some secret influence which he is ashamed or afraid to avow, must feel himself at present called upon to join his voice and interest, in order to have so useful, so very important a branch of manufacture and commerce, established by an *equal law*, upon a solid, independent, and permanent foundation?

AGRICOLA.

PATRIOTICUS is received.

The Bell, Cathcart, is arrived at Jamaica, from Clyde.
Caledonia, Colquhoun, at Jamaica, from New York.
Fortune, How, at Tortola, from Clyde.
Industry, Hunter, at Antigua, from Virgin's.
Polly, Smith, at St Croix, from Philadelphia.
Sally, Scott, at North Carolina, from Clyde.
Jeanie, Taylor, at Virginia, from St Ubes and Clyde.
Torbay, Gordon, at Jamaica, from Nova Scotia.

ARRIVED at LEITH, Feb. 9. True Blue, Galbraith, from Ely, with grain.—Argo, Nicol, from Dundee, with grain; Robert and Mary, Morrison, from Stornaway, with herrings; Friendship, Mill, from Aberdeen, with goods; Elisabeth, Allan, from Hull, in balast; John and Margaret, Kennedy, from Dundee, with grain; Janet, Swan, from Kirkcaldy, with grain; Endeavour, Robertson, from London.

SAILED, Countess of Sutherland, Smith, for London, with grain; Katharine and Isobel, Lyell, for Perth, with goods; Peggy, Clark, for Dundee, with goods; Swan, Fletcher, for Hull, with goods; Margaret and Elisabeth, Hunter, for Hull, with goods.

ST. CECILIA'S HALL.

On TUESDAY the 14th instant will be performed,

Mrs STUART'S Concert of Music.

Tickets, price Three Shillings,

To be had at Mr Stuart's house, Miln's Court, and at the Music Shops.

*** The Directors of the Gentlemens Concert hope that the Ladies and Gentlemen who attend the weekly concerts will patronise Mrs Stuart on this occasion.

J. TROKES begs leave to inform his Friends and the Public, that he has OPENED the CELLARS in Jamaica Street, formerly possessed by C. Corbet and Co. where they may depend on being served with Wines of the best quality; Old Jamaica Rum, and London Porter, either in hogsheads or bottles, on the most reasonable terms.

GLASGOW, *Feb.* 9. 1786.

A CART AND HARNESS.

THAT about twenty months ago, a CART and HARNESS was sent from the other side of the water, by a Captain Knight from Dundee, or some other person, to the care of Daniel Munro, carpenter in Leith, who paid the freight therefor, which was put into the Weigh-house of Leith, where it has remained ever since; and as the freight and Weigh-house dues will soon exhaust the value, notice is hereby given, that unless the owner, or some person from him, appears within fourteen days, and pay the charges, the Cart and Harness will be sold by public roup, by order of the Magistrates of Leith, for payment of the freight and other dues. Not to be repeated.

PRINTS.

A Choice and Valuable Collection of PRINTS, by the greatest masters ancient and modern, particularly Hollar, Swanevelt, Bergem, Du Jardin, Salvatarosa, Rembrandt, Van Amstell, Percell, Rubens, &c. which will be sold by auction at that Large Room, Clam-shell-turnpike, first door, High Street, on Monday 13th current, and the following evenings, to begin at six o'clock; the particulars of each night to be seen on the respective days from eleven till three.—And at the said place, on Wednesday, betwixt the hours of one and two forenoon, there is to be sold, A Large and Elegant CHAMBER ORGAN, with three barels, which originally cost one hundred guineas, and is to be entered so low as twenty guineas, and positively to be sold off. To be seen at Mr Ross's Music-shop, Carrubers Close, betwixt and the day of sale.

TO be SOLD by public auction, at the Counting-house of John Scougall, Leith,

The Sloop CHRISTIAN,

about Sixty Tons burden, as she now lies in the harbour.

The inventory to be shown any time before the sale at the above Counting-house.

Judicial Sale of Lands in Ayrshire,
BY ADJOURNMENT.

TO be exposed to public roup, under authority of the Court of Session, within the Parliament-House, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 1st day of March next, at five o'clock afternoon,

The LANDS of CRONGART and KNOCKGLASS, being part of the estate of Pinmore remaining unsold. The free proven rent of these lands is 34 l. 10 s. 6 d. To be exposed at the reduced upset price of 630 l. which is only about 18 years purchase of the proven free rent. They hold blench of the Prince; the teinds thereof are valued, and are saleable.

The title-deeds, rental, and articles of roup, may be seen in the office of Mr George Kirkpatrick, depute-clerk of session. For further particulars apply to Archibald Tod, writer to the signet, agent in the sale.

MR G. S. CAREY has been requested by many persons of distinction, (who have not had an opportunity to attend his LECTURE on MIMICRY) to repeat it, at Mr DUNN'S ASSEMBLY ROOM next WEDNESDAY, the 15th instant, on which night he will introduce considerable Alterations and Additions.

N. B. Thursday night will be most assuredly the LAST TIME of his delivering the above Lectures in this city, and the last season of his delivering any where. The seats will be commodiously placed, there will be good fires, and it will be lighted with gas. A select band of Music will play between each part of the Lecture.

Tickets to be had at Donn's and Pool's Hotels.

JAMES AND WALTER DICKSON,
NURSERY, SEEDSMEN, AND FLORISTS,
NEW TOWN, EDINBURGH,

BEG leave to return their most grateful thanks to their Friends, and the Public in general, for their kind favours, and most humbly hope the continuance of the same. And that they may still have it more in their power to serve their friends and the public, they have extended their business here, and also opened a shop at Haddington, and intend establishing a Nursery there, for the better accommodation of their friends in East Lothian; and to enable them to conduct the same with the greatest care, attention and punctuality, have taken into partnership Mr Robert Fair, who has lived for upwards of fifteen years in London, in some of the most eminent houses in the first departments and highest places of trust, both in the Seed and Nursery line.

They further take the liberty to assure the public, that what orders they are favoured with, they will earnestly study to merit their approbation, by paying the strictest attention to the execution of their commands, and are determined to have the best of goods, and to sell them upon the most reasonable terms.

N. B. The business is now carried on, under the firm of Dicksons and Fair.

The Road to Newcastle by Cornhill,
Which is eleven miles nearer than by way of Berwick.

THOSE concerned beg leave to inform the public, and their friends in particular, that said Road is quite clear and open for Travellers in Carriages and otherwise. The Flies for Newcastle and London go every day, as usual, from the Black Bull, Edinburgh, and from Mr Brodie's Turk's Head, Newcastle. The Diligence for Glasgow continues as formerly.

THERE is to be exposed to sale by auction, in Mr Smith's auction room, south side, opposite the upper Flesh-market Close, High-street, Edinburgh, on Tuesday 14th current, the sale to begin at ten o'clock,

A Large Assortment of Goods, consisting of plain, stripped and chequed Muslins, broad and narrow; Lawns, broad and narrow; plain, chequered, stripped, and spotted fine Festoon Muslin Aprons, open and sprigged; also Lawn Aprons; festoon, opened, and sprigged Muslin and Lawn borded Napkins; black, spotted, and plain silk Gauze; Cambrics of different qualities; Polcat Napkins red and white, stripped and chequred, both silk and cotton; blue and white cotton and linen ditto; a quantity white threads, from No. 6. to No. 72. of good quality and colour.

The above goods are all of the best quality, and may be seen by any intending purchaser, on Monday first.

Black Bull Inn, Glasgow, to Let.

To be LET for nineteen years, and entered to at Whitsunday 1787,

THE BLACK BULL INN, belonging to the Glasgow Highland Society, at present occupied by Mr Patrick Heron.

The house contains an elegant hall, measuring 36 feet by 24½, a dining-room 25 feet by 15, eleven parlours 16½ feet by 15, besides eighteen bed chambers, a very large and commodious kitchen, and a servants hall 13 1-half feet square.

In the back Court, which can easily accommodate a number of carriages, there is a washing-house and well, a complete range of stables, with stalls for 40 horses, and a loft which will contain near 4000 stones of hay; so that the premises form a most complete Inn; and for situation and convenience, cannot be equalled in the west of Scotland.

Persons who have a view of becoming tacksmen, are desired to communicate their proposals between and the first day of June next, to Mr James Mathie, writer in Glasgow, who in the mean time will be ready to give every information on the subject, that may be required.

Houses near Wooler to Let.

TO be LET for such number of years as may be agreed upon, and to be entered to at Whitsunday 1786, A Commodious DWELLING HOUSE, with Garden, Stable, and other Offices, pleasantly situate at Wooler Bridge-end, in the county of Northumberland.—ALSO, another exceeding good DWELLING HOUSE, with an extensive Garden, Stable, and other offices, situate at Yardhill, within one mile of the town of Wooler. The dwelling house at the Bridge-end consists of a kitchen, pantry, cellar, two parlours, two bed-rooms, and a servants-room. The dwelling house at Yardhill consists of a kitchen, pantry, cellar, parlour, three bed-rooms, besides garrets, &c. The garden is extensive and well stocked with fruit, and the takers may be accommodated with a house, and cow's grass, if required. The above houses are pleasantly situated within a quarter of a mile of the rivers Callgatt and Till, both abounding with fine trout; and the neighbourhood of Wooler is well known to be an excellent situation for goats whey.

For particulars, apply to Mr Honey, at Wooler-haugh-head.

Luncarty and Perth Bleachfields,
Near Perth, 1786.

SANDEMAN, TURNBULL, and COMPANY, carry on business at both Fields, and bleach in the best manner, at the following prices; and the Cloth returned soon:

All Linen Cloth, yard-wide and under, not exceeding

	per yard.		per yard.
900 warp,	2½d.	1600,	5½d.
1000 and 1100,	3d.	1700, and all above,	6d.
1200,	3½d.	Diapers,	4d.
1300,	4d.	Damasks,	5d.
1400,	4½d.	Long Lawns,	3d.
1500,	5d.	Cambries,	4d.

All above yard-wide in proportion to its breadth.

Cloth for these Fields is presently taken in by JAMES TORRY merchant, Royal Exchange, Edinburgh; William Braidwood ironmonger, Grassmarket; William Coke bookseller, Leith; James Gillies bookseller, Glasgow; John Gray weaver, Dalkeith; John Berrie merchant, ditto; Thomas Main merchant, Bathgate; Miss Eupheme Walker merchant, St Andrew's; William Main merchant, Cupar Fife; Mrs Janet Bell, Leven; John Melvill and Son, Dysart; William Philip and Son, Kirkcaldy; Mrs Helen Scott, Anstruther; Mrs Alexander, Dunfermline; James Duncan merchant, Alloa; Mr James Addison, senior, Borrowstounness; David Ouchterlonie, Dundee; William Ritchie merchant, Arbroath; John Low merchant, Montrose; John Bett, jun. in Cupar Angus; Robert Cargill merchant, Dunkeld; James Glass merchant, Crieff; David Sandeman merchant, and William Sandeman and Company, Perth; Hector Turnbull at Luncarty, and John Turnbull at Tullock.

Linen Drapery and Haberdashery
WAREHOUSE,
ROBERT BOW AND CO. BRIDGE STREET, EDINBURGH,

HAVE a very large and fashionable assortment of LINEN DRAPERY and HABERDASHERY GOODS.

The following part are now selling at reduced prices, viz.

Yard wide printed Callicoes,	newest patterns.	Stripped 7/8 Chequed 5-4 the and 7-4ths Scotch Muslins.	
Ell wide ditto,		Scotch Callicoes, for Shirtings and Sheetings.	
Plain and Corded Dimittes.		Black and Thread Laces and Edgings.	
Muslinets.			
India Muslins.			

A weekly supply of new Callicoes and other goods for the Spring and Summer trade. Among the above assortment of India Muslins, are a few very fine Dacca Handkerchiefs, *Nabob Muslins*, and two yard wide Book ditto.

Ironmongery and Hardware Goods,
FORREST AND BROWN,
Ironmongers and Hardware Dealers,
Successors to the deceased Mr ROBERT FORD,
At the GILDED COCK, second shop above Fortune's Close, North side of the High Street, Edinburgh,

WITH the greatest respect, beg leave to inform the friends and customers of the late Mr Ford in particular, and the public in general, that they have laid in a complete assortment of Ironmongery and Hardware Goods, (as kept by their late friend) among which articles the following are a few:

Joiners and Carpenters Tools of all sorts.	Mathematical Instruments, with or without Cases.
Nails, Spigs, and Tentor Hooks of all sizes.	Ivory and Boxwood Foot Rules, and Gunter Scales.
Wood Screw Nails of all sizes.	Standing, Bench, and Hand Vices.
Best House Bells, with complete Mounting for ditto.	Mounting Ides in Leather Boxes, and Glaziers Diamonds.
Coffin Mounting of all sorts.	Brass and Iron Knockers, and Name Plates for outer doors.
Carved and Plain Brass Mounting for Desks, Drawers, Cabinets, Book-cases, &c.	Table and Desert Knives and Forks of different sorts.
Carved and Plain Mounting for Clock-cases.	Penknives, Scissars, and Razors.
Clock-hands, Therms, and Line.	Brass, Wood, and Leather Casters.
Shoemakers Tools and Utensils.	Brass Locks of all sizes, and ditto to lock with keys.
Brass and Iron Locks of all sorts.	Brass and Boxwood Sash Pullies.
Files and Rasps of all kinds, for Joiners, Smiths, and Founders.	Brass Sash Nobs, Shutter Rings, and Sash Screws with keys.
Brass and Iron Hinges, all sizes.	Spring Snecks with Brass Nobs, or Folding Handles.
Baken Hair, Girth-web, and Brass Nails.	Brass and Iron Belts, and Thumb Snecks.
Fish-skin, Fin Tails, & Rushes.	Best Pit Frame, and Cross Cut Saws.
Emery Paper, and Sand ditto.	Fine Battle and Dantzick Gun Powder, Shot, and Flints.
Coarse and fine Glass Paper.	Powder Flasks and Shot Bags of different sorts.
Blue Potts, Borrax, Spelter, and Emery.	
Scots and London made Glue.	
Steel, Coffee, or Pepper Mills, and ditto in Wood Boxes.	

Such as are pleased to favour them with their orders may depend upon being served on the most reasonable terms, and a proper discount allowed those who take quantities.

Commissions from the country will be carefully attended to.

N.B. All persons having any demands on the late Mr Ford, are requested to lodge notes of the same; and those indebted to him will please observe, that the debts are payable to Mr Forrest, at the above shop, and not to Mr Alexander Brown wine-merchant, the power of factory being withdrawn from him some time since.

A Reward of Twenty Guineas.

ALEXANDER ANDERSON [illegible] Lethan Mill, near Arbroath, left his house on Friday the 3d inst. about [illegible] to transact some business. He called at a shop about seven o'clock that evening, and bought some tobacco, and then went out, and has not since been heard of, although the strictest search has been made for him.

The said Alexander Anderson is betwixt fifty and sixty years of age, of a black complexion, has black short hair mixed with grey, is pitted with the small pox, about five feet eight inches high, bald-headed, and wears a blue bonnet. He wore, when he left his house, a long grey coat, light blue vest and breeches, and grey stockings, and has much the appearance of a miller.

A REWARD of TWENTY GUINEAS is offered by the said Alexander Anderson's disconsolate family and friends, to any person who will give information of him.

Houses for Sale by Private Bargain.
TO BE SOLD,

THESE FOUR FLATS or STOREYS in the north-east corner of St Patrick's Street, Edinburgh, three of which are well and neatly finished, and possessed by Dr Alexander Adams and Mr William Nicoll, each flat consisting of five rooms, bed closets, kitchen, cellars, and other conveniencies.—As also, That LODGING lying by the Chapel of Ease, consisting of five rooms, kitchen, and cellars, possessed by Mrs Johnston.

The value of the above houses, particularly of those in St Patrick's Street, being in a direct line with the South Bridge now building over the Cowgate, will be that easy communication with the old city be greatly encreased; and the south side of Edinburgh, for which a new cistern of water is also now erecting, is allowed to be a more eligible situation than the north.

Likewise to be SOLD, Four Flats or Stories of the New Land in St Andrew's Street, Leith, each flat consisting of four rooms and a kitchen.

These subjects were all lately built, and will be sold separately or together, as purchasers incline.

For particulars apply to David Clark, solicitor at law, or Mr Archibald Slater, the proprietor.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THAT upon the application of James M'George Merchant in Port-Glasgow, with concurrence of creditors properly qualified in terms of the statute, to the Court of Session, their Lordships upon the 9th of February 1786, sequestrated the whole real and personal estate of the said James M'George, and appointed his creditors to meet in the house of Peter Buchanan, vintner in Port-Glasgow, upon the 22d of February current, at twelve o'clock noon, in order to name an interim factor thereon, in terms of the statute; and granted commission to any of the resident bailies of Port-Glasgow to attend said meeting, and to take the creditors oaths, &c.

These are therefore requiring the whole creditors of the said James M'George, by themselves or their agents properly authorised, to meet at the time and place above mentioned, for the purposes aforesaid, and to bring with them their grounds of debt, and oaths on the verity thereof, to be produced before the commissioner who will attend at said meeting.

FOR LONDON,
The Leith Packet,
JOHN THOMSON, Master,

Is taking in goods at the birth in Leith harbour, and will sail on the 25th instant, wind and weather serving.

The vessel has good accommodation for passengers.

The Master to be spoke with at the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, at 'Change hours mornings and evenings on board, or at Mr William Wa[illegible] facing the Pipes, Leith.

FURNISHED HOUSE TO LET,
IN HADDINGTON-SHIRE.

TO be LET, the FURNISHED HOUSE of NINEWAR, and offices, with or without some inclosures in grass.

The House is large, well furnished, and commodious for a gentleman's family; on a pleasant situation near the sea, four miles west of Dunbar, and seven miles east of Haddington, in a plentiful country, near good markets and turnpike roads.

Enquire at Thomas Tod, writer to the signet. A servant in the house will shew the premisses.

Sale of a House in George's Street.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 20th day of February 1786, betwixt the hours of six and seven afternoon,

That HOUSE, lying in George's Street, New Town, immediately to the east of St Andrew's Church, presently possessed by Mrs Campbell of Saddel, consisting of a dining-room about 19 feet square, a drawing-room 24 feet long by 19 broad, eleven other rooms, with a kitchen, cellar, back ground, and other conveniencies: Along with the house will be sold, an Area for a Coach-house and Stables.

The house will be shown on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, at one o'clock afternoon.

The articles of roup and title-deeds are to be seen in the hands of William Buchan, writer to the signet, Lady Stair's Close, who has power to conclude a private bargain, previous to the day of sale.

TO be SOLD or LET for one, two, or more years, and entered to immediately,

The House and Lands of Powderhall,

lying in the parish of St Cuthberts, and shire of Edinburgh, lately possessed by William Miller, Esq; and James Foreman.

These lands are pleasantly situated upon the banks of the water of Leith, and contain about sixteen Scots acres of a very rich soil, all completely inclosed, and divided into three different fields, surrounded with thriving and beautiful stripes of planting, besides a good garden, in which there are a number of excellent fruit trees that produce well.

The house stands upon the Bonnington road to Leith, within 25 minutes walk of the cross of Edinburgh, and consists of a kitchen, and eleven fire-rooms, besides five bedrooms, and two large light closets in the garret storey. There are also two cellars, one of them with catacombs; and a complete set of offices, containing a stable for six horses coach-house, cart-house, byre for four cows, milk-house, washing-house, and large laundry, with two servants rooms, and several other conveniencies. At the offices is a pump-well plentifully supplied; and at the head of the entry from the Bonnington road, there is a good gardener's house of two apartments.

The house and grounds will be seen any time from ten to two o'clock every lawful day.

For further particulars apply to James Marshall writer to the signet, in whose hands a plan of the premisses will be seen.

Sale of Lands in Stirlingshire.
TO BE SOLD,

THE LANDS and ESTATE of SAUCHIE, CHARTERSHALL, and TOUCHGORME, lying in the parish of St Ninian's, and shire of Stirling, and within three miles of the town of Stirling. The barony of Sauchie holds of the Crown, and affords above five freehold qualifications to vote for a member of Parliament. The other lands hold of a subject superior for payment of a small feuduty. This estate contains above 3000 acres, chiefly arable and may be improved at a small expence.

The present rent of the lands is near 1300 l. Sterling per annum, but many of the leases are already out, and several expire in the year 1787; for most of which very considerable rises of rents have been offered, upon the farms being improved; and all of them are capable of great improvement, there being lime to be had in every corner of the estate. There is also a lime work in the proprietor's possession, where the demand for lime has hitherto been much greater than could be answered; but as the stone is now wrought by mining, any quantity can now be turned out, so that there is the greatest probability that this work will soon become a very valuable article, as there is coal in the neighbourhood, and even a great appearance of coal upon the lands. This limework has been valued by persons of skill, who have given their opinion, that it is worth 150 l. Sterling per annum, upon a tack for nineteen years.

There is upon the estate a convenient Mansion-house, with excellent office-houses of every kind, and an exceeding good garden, orchard, and nursery of fine planting. There is likewise an extensive wood contiguous to the mansion-house, and several young plantations in a thriving condition, and which will soon be very valuable.

If the estate is not sold, it is proposed to sell the same in the following lots, viz.

LOT I. The House, Garden, Orchard, and such of the Parks of Sauchie as lie to the eastward of the road; the Mill and Mill Lands of Sauchie and New Farm, possessed by Robert Thomson; the Lands of East and West Houses of Sauchie, and Stonefauldhill, possessed by John Buchanan; the farm of Burnside, Barnet and Dunside, Herd's hall and Tathfauld, possessed by William Gillies; the Lands and Inclosures of Little Canglour, possessed by Duncan Macarthur, and others; those Parts of Meikle Canglour called Lusset-Quarter and Craig-Quarter, possessed by David Drummond and William Cowan; Milholm possessed by John Glass, &c.; Paper Mill, possessed by the heirs of Alex. Brown; and the Mill and Lands of Charterishall, possessed by Robert Russell and others. These subjects, estimating such of the parks as are out of lease at the rent that has been offered for them for nineteen years, yield at present, of free rent, 582 l. 6 s. 9 d. 10-12ths.

LOT II. The Lands of Muirpark, Wedderlaw, and Muir of Sauchie, as possessed by George and James Liddels, at 48 l. 10 d. of free rent.

LOT III. The Lands of Garliecraig, Muir of Cultenhoove, with the lands of Newbiggings, and Townfoot Outfields, as possessed by William Gillies, at 84 l. 3 s. 2 d. of free rent.

LOT IV. The Townhead of Touchgorme, possessed by William Thomson, at 45 l. 18 s. of free rent.

LOT V. The Farms of Waterfield and Townfoot of Touchgorme, with the pendicle of Waterfield, possessed by William and John Risks, at 34 l. 4 s. of free rent; and the said two farms are set to them for nineteen years after next crop, at 50 l. of rent.

LOT VI. The House and Parks of Haltown, Pendicle of Haltown Muir, the Lands of Middlethird, a small Pendicle of Waterfield, the lands of Bankhead, Mill and Lands of Coltonhoove, Lands of Craigend and Limequarry Lands of Boudam, Lands of Little Sauchie, and pendicles; and such of the parks of Sauchie as lie to the westward of the road called Wellerloan, Foot Park, Upper Sheep Park, North and South High Parks, with the Wood of Sauchie, lime-quarry and kilns erected there. These subjects yield at present of free rent 458 l. 7 s. 8 d. 2-12ths, exclusive of the lime-quarry in the proprietor's possession, which has been estimated by people of skill at 150 l. of yearly rent, upon a nineteen years lease, and which actually yielded last year 171 l. of clear profit.

The premisses will be shown, by applying to the grieve at Sauchie, or John Burn, writer in Stirling, the factor on the estate; and for further particulars application may be made to James Walker, writer to the signet, who will show the writs, a plan, and rental; and to whom, or to Mr Alexander Farquharson, accomptant in Edinburgh, any person desirous of concluding a private bargain, may apply.

To be LET and entered to at Whitsunday,

THE House of GARDENER'S-HALL,

pleasantly situated within half a mile of Edinburgh, to the west, with the offices, viz. coach-house, stable, cow-house, &c. and likewise two inclosures, consisting of five Scots acres, exclusive of pleasure ground.

For particulars, enquire of Mr Fraser Tytler Advocate, George's Square.

Mansion House of Grange,
A mile South from Edinburgh,

TO be LET for such number of years as may be agreed on, and entered to at Whitsunday next.

The HOUSE consists of three stories and garrets. In the ground storey, a vaulted kitchen, a large hall or waiting room, a parlour and large closet, cellar and pantry. In the second storey, a dining-room, drawing room, and bed-chamber. In the third storey, four bed-rooms, and two light closets. Adjoining to the house, is a complete set of offices, washing-house, &c. &c. A small grass inclosure. A large garden in high order, stocked with fruit trees of the best kinds. A tenant may be accommodated with a quantity of excellent flower roots, &c.

There are likewise three Grass Parks, one of seven acres 36 falls to the east of the house, another of near three acres to the west, and one near the Sciennes, of six acres and an half. They have been for many years in grass, and will be set along with the house, or separately.

The House and Garden may be seen any Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, from eleven forenoon to half an hour after one o'clock. The inclosures will be shown by Andrew Forrest, gardener at Grange. For further particulars apply to Mr Cumin, writer to the signet, Prince's Street.

Furnished Country Seat.
To be LET Furnished, for one or two years, from Whitsunday next,

THE HOUSE of ERSKINE, with the Office-houses, gardens, and pleasure ground. The House is fit for the reception of any gentleman's family, and is delightfully situated upon the river Clyde, twelve miles below Glasgow.—The gardens are stocked with fruit-trees of the best kinds.—The turnpike-road betwixt Glasgow and Greenock passes within half a mile of the house.

A tenant may be supplied with whatever grass fields may be wanted.

The premisses will be shewn by Mr James Dickson, at Erskine-house. And from him or Mr Erskine, clerk to the signet, Edinburgh, further particulars may be got.

A House, Garden, and Inclosure
TO LET.

THE House of SOUTH COATS, (alias Whitehouse), consisting of dining-room, bed-rooms, kitchen, cellar, and other conveniencies, with kitchen and fruit garden well stocked with fruit trees of the best kinds, coach-house, stables, byre, washing-house, and other suitable offices; also an inclosure adjoining thereto, consisting of 25 acres or thereby, all in good repair, and completely inclosed. The house is within one quarter of an hour's walk from the Cross of Edinburgh, stands upon a gentle eminence, and remarkably dry and healthy situation, having a commanding prospect of the adjacent country; lying a few yards westward of the toll-bar, upon the high road that leads to Colt Bridge, belonging to the heirs of James Findlay, Esq; of Walliford, and presently possessed by James Anderson, Esq; of Monnie.

ALSO, to be let for such a number of years as can be agreed upon, and entered to immediately, an INCLOSURE, consisting of sixteen acres and one half, more or less, being the upper part of the farm of Murrayshall, lying upon the west side of the Colt Bridge, leading to Corstorphine, as presently possessed by Alexander Semple, and all laid down in grass.

The entry to the house, garden, and offices, at Whitsunday 1786, and to the inclosures thereto adjoining immediately. The house to be seen on Tuesdays and Fridays, between the hours of twelve and three. And for further particulars, apply to Hary Guthrie, jun. writer in Edinburgh.

A Furnished House in Selkirk-shire
TO LET.

THE HOUSE of GALASHIELS, consisting of dining-room, drawing-room, nine bed-rooms, and several bed-closets. The dining-room and drawing-room are each thirty feet in length by twenty in breadth. There are also a kitchen, laundry, cellars, washing house, brew-house, complete stables and coach-house, servants rooms, and every other conveniency.

The house is completely furnished. There is a large garden surrounded with fruit-walls at a convenient distance from it. It stands most pleasantly situated upon the river Gala, about thirty miles from Edinburgh, near the town of Galashiels, where there is an excellent market.

The country around is most conveniently situated for hunting, shooting, fishing, and every other country amusement. The house will be let for one, two, or more years, as can be agreed on. The entry to be either immediately or at Whitsunday next. A tenant may have as much grass ground as he chuses.

For particulars apply to Thomas or Archibald Tods, writers to the signet, Edinburgh.—The gardener will show the premisses.

JUDICIAL SALE OF

A Park or Inclosure, lying in the Burgh Roods of Dumfries,
BY ADJOURNMENT, and UPSET PRICE REDUCED.

TO be SOLD within the Parliament or New Session house of Edinburgh, on Tuesday the 7th of March 1786, between the hours of five and seven in the afternoon, The following Lot, remaining unsold of the SUBJECTS that belonged to Isobel M'Kie and Captain David Johnston her husband.

LOT II.

A PARK or INCLOSURE of LAND in the Burgh-roods of Dumfries, in that part called *Corrie's Holes*, consisting of two acres or thereby. The proven rental thereof after all deductions, is 5 l. 3 s. 8 d. 8-12ths Sterling; and the proven value at twenty-four years purchase of that rent is 124 l. 9 s. 4 d. Sterling. But by authority of the Lords, the upset price is now reduced to 100 l. Sterling.

These subjects hold burgage of the town of Dumfries, for payment of 3 s. 4 d. Scots yearly, for the first acre thereof, and performing burgage services used and wont, and are conveniently situated near the burgh of Dumfries.

The articles of roup and title-deeds, are to be seen in the office of Alexander Stevenson, depute-clerk of Session; and persons wanting further information, may apply to Hugh Corrie, writer to the signet, agent in the sale, or John Aiken, junior, writer in Dumfries, the factor.

AYRSHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, in whole or in Lots, within the King's Arms Inn in Ayr, upon Friday the 12th day of May next,

The Lands of BROCKLOCH, lying in the parish of Maybole, and shire of Ayr. These lands are holden of the Crown, and are valued in the Cess books at 113 l. 13 s. 4 d. Scots. They extend to nearly 300 acres Scotch measure, are situated within a mile of the town of Maybole, and are highly improvable.

The free rent payable out of these lands just now, after deduction of all public burdens, is 25 l. Sterling. But the present leases, which were for fifteen years, expire at Whitsunday next, when a very considerable rise may be expected. The proprietor has already been offered 90 l. Sterling per annum for a new lease.

The articles of roup and title-deeds, may be seen in the hands of Andrew Blane, writer to the signet, to whom, or to David Limond, writer in Ayr, persons intending to purchase, either by private bargain, or at the roup, may apply for further information.

First Notice—Second Term.

IN the Process of RANKING and SALE, at the instance of Mr John Hay, accountant in Edinburgh, with concourse of his Majesty's Advocate, for his Majesty's interest, AGAINST Messs. Robert and Peter Colviles, elder and younger of Ochiltree, and all and sundry the creditors of the said Messs. Robert and Peter Colviles, the Lord Stonefield Ordinary, by interlocutor of date the 31st January last, assigned the 15th of February 1786, for the haill creditors to produce all their claims, rights, and diligences, competent to them respectively, against the bankrupts or their estate, and to depone on the verity thereof, and that for the Second Term; with certification as in a reduction and improbation; and appointed intimation thereof to be made in the Edinburgh Evening Courant and Caledonian Mercury, for three weeks successively, to the end it may come to the knowledge of all parties concerned.

R. C. DUNBAR, Clerk.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC ROUP,

For an annual feu-duty and no purchase money, within the house of Andrew Baird vintner in Leith, on Thursday the 16th of February curt. at four o'clock afternoon,

THAT HOUSE and GARDEN, entering from the Kirkgate, Leith, and presently possessed by Mr Proudfoot minister. And these two Dwelling-houses and School-room, possessed by the said Andrew Baird, Alexander Henderson, and Alexander Lindsay schoolmaster.

The conditions of roup and plan of the subject, to be seen by applying to John Boog wright in Leith.

FARMS AND MILLS
In the County of Roxburgh to Let.

TO be LET by public roup, within the house of Mr Robert Hafwell, vintner in Jedburgh, on Tuesday the 14th day of February 1786, for such a number of years as shall be agreed upon, the entry to commence at Whitsunday, and separation of crop 1786,

The FARM of NISBET MILL, with the FLOUR, BARLEY, and CORN MILLS, as presently possessed by Andrew Huggan.

This farm lies upon the banks of the river Teviot, immediately below Mount Teviot Lodge, and within the parish of Crailing, about six miles from Kelso, and three from Jedburgh; is of considerable extent, mostly arable, and of excellent quality for crops of every kind, particularly turnips, and keeps good stock, both sheep and black cattle, the pasturage being remarkably good and healthy.

The FARM of MOSSBURNFORD, as presently possessed by Andrew Rutherford and others.

This farm lies upon the banks of the river Jed, and within the parish of Jedburgh, from which town it is about two miles distant; is of large extent, and well sheltered both with natural woods and extensive plantations, and the soil is very good both for tillage and pasture.—And,

The FARMS of HOISLAW-HILL, FALSIDE, and PLACE-GRADEN.

These farms lie in the parish of Lintoun, and within four miles of Kelso. They are very extensive, and the soil is remarkably good.

N. B. The whole of the above farms lie within a convenient distance of lime or marl, and are very improveable.

The present tenants and baron officers at Fernihirst near Jedburgh and Nisbet, will show the grounds.

For further information, application may be made to Mr Ainslie at Newbattle; Mr Potts sheriff-clerk of the county, in Jedburgh; or Patrick Kerr writer to the signet.

SALE of LANDS in ARGYLE-SHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 1st day of March next, between five and six o'clock afternoon,

The extensive estates of DUNTROON, on Lochcrinan, and of OIB, on Lochsween; lying about 25 miles south-west of Inverary, in the parishes of Kilmartine and North Knapdale, and shire of Argyle. The present free rent is upwards of 900 l. Sterling, and still improveable; of which that of Oib is better than 200 l. Sterling, and will be exposed separately in Lots, or together, as formerly advertised.

The tenants are thriving, the situation of the estate pleasant and convenient, the communication easy, the soil excellent, and the woods extensive and flourishing.

There is a commodious mansion-house with offices, pleasantly situated upon Lochcrinan, whence the Canal (an object now under the view of the Legislature) is intended to be executed across Lochgilphead. The estate of Oib has also an excellent situation for a place of residence. A more complete and desirable property rarely appears in the market.

For further particulars enquire at John Moir writer to the signet, Edinburgh, who will show the rentals, plans, surveys, and title-deeds of the estates; at Duncan Campbell writer, Inverary, or Mr Alexander Ross, accomptant in Edinburgh; who will treat as to a private bargain. John Campbell, schoolmaster at Duntroon, will show that estate: and John Campbell at Tayloch, the estate of Oib.

JUDICIAL SALE OF

Lands in the County of Linlithgow,
By Adjournment—Upset Price farther Reduced.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, within the Parliament or New Session-house of Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 2d day of March 1786, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills, the following SUBJECTS, which belonged to the deceased William Belchier of Grange, viz.

All and Whole the Lands and Barony of GRANGE, with the Coal and Salt-Works, Iron-stone, Iron-ore, and others, with the teinds and pertinents, as specified in the act of roup.

Item, The Houses, Kill, Malt-barn, and others, lying at Old Mill of Grange, of old called *St John's-bank*, and others which were purchased by the deceased William Belchier from David Stevenson, son and apparent heir of the deceased David Stevenson, shipmaster in Borrowstounness, being part of the said barony, and holden feu of the heirs of the said William Belchier, for payment of 10 merks Scots, 6½ bolls wheat, and 8 hens yearly.

Item, The Houses, Biggings, &c. in Bridgeneise, and Piece of Ground lying at the west side of the Cunningar of Grange, three kail-yards, a piece of Grass Ground, &c. which were purchased by the said William Belchier from Harry Allan writer in Edinburgh, being also part of the said Barony, and holden feu of the heirs of the said William Belchier, for payment of 20 s. Scots yearly.

The lands and houses, &c. are proven to be worth 25½ year's purchase of the nett proven rent, being 400 l. free of all deductions, amounting to	L.	10,200	0. 0
The coal and salt-works are proven to be worth eleven years purchase of the proven rental, being 300 l. amounting to -		3300	0 0
The iron-stone or iron-ore are also proven to be worth eleven years purchase of the proven rental, being 100 l. amounting to	L.	1100	0 0
Total value,	L.	14,600	0 0
Which was first reduced by the Lords to	L.	13,800	0 0
And now to - - -	L.	13,000	0 0

The lands lie within a mile of the town of Borrowstounness, and are holden blench of the Crown, for payment of a penny Scots money, if asked only. The proprietor is entitled to vote for a member of Parliament.

The articles, conditions, and acts of roup, will be seen in the hands of Alexander Stevenson depute-clerk of Session, or John Russel clerk to the signet.

N. B. The whole subjects under sale are set to one tenant, at the nett rent of 800 l. upon a 31 year's lease, which commenced at Martinmas 1771, and the tenant is thereby taken bound to pay every public burden and deduction wha ever, affecting the estate, during the currency of the lease. The proprietor has right to the pier and harbour of Graagepans, where there is good accommodation for shipping.

Edinburgh Friendly Insurance
AGAINST LOSSES BY FIRE.

THE Society of the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance, one of the *first* institutions of the *kind* in Britain, insure Houses and other buildings, Household Furniture, Goods, Wares, Merchandize, Utensils and Implements in trade, agreeable to the tenure of their printed proposals, copies of which may be had gratis, by applying at the Office.

In return for the encouragement that has been hitherto given to this Society, they take the liberty of making this public acknowledgment to their employers; and to assure the public in general, that nothing shall be wanting to merit a liberal share of their favour, more especially by the utmost punctuality in discharging all claims on them, without the usual deduction of 3 per cent.

The ANNUAL PREMIUMS and Duty, due at this Office at the present term of CANDLEMAS, are desired to be paid up immediately, as by neglecting the payment longer than fifteen days after the term day, the benefit of the Policy expires.

Persons insured will please, therefore, call at the Office and pay the same, where receipts are granted, and Policies issued for new Insurances.

Persons changing their Insurances from other Offices to this, are always allowed the expence of the Policy gratis.

1st February 1786.

TO SELL,

THE Upper and Attic Storeys of a
HOUSE, south side George Street and St Andrew's Square, (completely papered and painted), consisting of nine rooms, kitchen, cellars, and three garrets fitted up for servants; to be entered to at Lammas. Also, a HOUSE in Hanover Street, of fourteen rooms, kitchen, cellars, and back-ground, with HOUSES, SHOPS, and BAKEHOUSE, in Rose-Street, to sell, or let at Whitsunday. Likewise, a HOUSE in Buccleugh Street, of five rooms and a kitchen, to let. Enquire at Mr Hugh Corrie writer to the signet, or Robert Burn, Rose Street, New Town.

Any person inclining to purchase the first mentioned property, (which may be seen on Tuesdays and Fridays, from twelve to two o'clock), may have their furniture accommodated till the time of entry.

Soft Sopery to be Sold.

THE Company under the firm of the LEITH SOPERY, having now given up the manufacturing of Soft Soap, the whole Utensils used in said branch, with the Houses and Areas, lying in the Tolbooth Wynd, South Leith, are to be exposed to public roup at Gibb's Coffeehouse on the Shore of Leith, on Monday the 13th current, betwixt the hours of twelve noon and two afternoon.

The articles of roup and title-deeds are to be seen in the hands of Robert Jamieson writer to the signet, Edinburgh, with whom, or David Neilson, at the Company's Office, Leith, any person willing to make a private bargain, may commune. A ground plan of the subjects to be seen at the Company's Office.

N. B. The Company continues to carry on the manufacturing of TALLOW CANDLES, as formerly, under the firm of the LEITH SOPERY COMPANY. Orders addressed, as usual, will be duly attended to.

Leith, 1st February 1786.

NOTICE
To the CREDITORS of HUGH SETON of Touch, Esq.

AT a general meeting of the creditors held upon the 7th instant, for the purpose of chusing a factor or factors upon the estate real and personal of the said Hugh Seton, sequestrated by the Court of Session upon the 22d December last, under the authority of the statute 23d of the King, Gideon Gray at Touch, was chosen factor, accountable to the Court of Session, and is appointment is since confirmed by the Court.

The said Gideon Gray therefore, requires all the creditors of the said Hugh Seton, to lodge with him, or with James Bremner, writer in Edinburgh, his agent, their claims, and vouchers, or grounds of debt, with their oaths for proving the same, as directed by the statute, within nine kalendar months after the date of the interlocutor awarding the sequestration; with certification to those creditors who neglect to comply with this requisition within the said months, which expire on the 22d day of September next, that they shall not be entitled to any share in the first distribution of the debtor's estate. GIDEON GRAY.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

TO be SOLD by public roup or auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 15th day of February 1786, betwixt the hours of six and seven afternoon,

The Lands and Barony of BANNOCKBURN,
with the Coal, and Mills, and the Harbour, and Coalfolds at Fallinpow, lying in the parish of St Ninians, and shire of Stirling, within three miles of the town of Stirling, upon the great roads leading from Stirling to Edinburgh, and to Glasgow.

These lands consist, conform to a plan, of 796 Scots acres of property, and 264 acres feued out to different persons; all holding of the Crown, are rated in the land-tax books at 1119 l. 11 s. 8 d. Scots; and the purchaser will have right to the tithes.

The nett rent of the land estate (exclusive of the coal) for crop 1783, was 762 l. 7 s. Sterling, including therein the price of 20 bolls malt, and 54 bolls oat meal, at 16 s. per boll.

There is a large Mansion-house with suitable offices. Also a large garden and orchard, and a pigeon-house on the premisses, and a salmon fishing at Fallinpow, none of which are included in the rent-roll. There is also a great number of fine full grown timber trees, consisting of oak, ash, beach, and elm, &c. of considerable value; with several young plantations of various kinds of wood, very thriving.

The lands are generally inclosed and subdivided, partly with stone dykes, and partly with thriving hedges.—From their situation in a populous country, where extensive manufactures are carried on, and where coal, and all the articles of living are cheap; and from their vicinity to lime, and good roads, they are capable of great improvements, and increase of rent. Some farms are now open, which will rise; and when the other leases which are current expire, a few years hence, a considerable advance may be depended on over the whole estate; and great advantage may be derived from fencing, and from erecting mills on the water of Bannockburn.

There is a valuable field of marle upon the estate, to which a level is carried up. Also two yearly fairs, and a weekly market.

The coal of Bannockburn is extensive, consisting of different seams, level free, and is well known to be of the best quality, and of great value. It has for years past yielded a nett profit, after defraying on-coast and all expences, of above 1500 l. per annum, as will appear from the coal books, and it may be wrought to a much greater extent if the proprietor inclines: For, besides the demand from the town of Stirling and the country around, there is a harbour and fold and other conveniencies at Fallinpow, on the Frith of Forth, belonging to the estate, where a sea sale may be carried on to a great advantage.

A purchase in itself more complete, of better and more convenient situation for intercourse with Edinburgh, Glasgow, Stirling, and the Frith of Forth, &c. and capable of higher improvement, rarely occurs in the market.

For the encouragement of bidders this estate will be exposed at 30000 l.

The tacks, rent-roll, plan, progress of writs, and conditions of sale, are to be seen in the hands of John Moir writer to the signet; and for further particulars application may be made to him, or to John Dundas writer to the signet, or John M'Killop writer in Stirling, or to Alexander Farquharson accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to sell by private bargain. William Thomson overseer of the coal at Bannockburn will show the estate, and the coal books.

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